

BAZOO GOSSIP.

Judge John A. Tuggle, a prominent and wealthy citizen of Davies county, Mo., and who has relatives in this section, died a few days since. He had lived on his old home place for fifty years, raised a large family, but the coffin that was carried in for his remains was the only one that had ever been across the threshold.

Maj. W. C. Arline, who holds an important state office at the capital, was in town last evening and made the Bazoos a pleasant call.

Major Arline, who is a brother-in-law of Senator Major, for a number of years held a professorship at Central college, Fayette, Mo., at which institution he graduated with high honor.

He afterward abandoned teaching for law practicing this profession till two years ago when he secured a lucrative clerkship in the adjutant general's office at Jefferson City.

Said a democratic politician to the Gossiper yesterday: "Don't you know that the republicans are organizing both in the city and county, and have been actively at work for more than two months. The party is possessed of an infinite amount of cheek and thinks it will prevail in both the spring and fall elections. And it wouldn't be at all surprising—if the democrats don't rouse themselves from a seeming lethargy and go to work in the matter of organization. If they work vigorously to that end, the democrats can easily carry both the city and county."

It was a very sensible farmer who remarked to the Gossiper: "A man who does not take a newspaper because it will require an outlay of a dollar or two, has a poor idea of economy. He would probably be surprised if one should suggest that it is as much his duty to provide his family with food for the brain as with victuals and clothing for the body. The farmer who expects from his children constant employment at the drudgery of the farm, and does not take a newspaper, so that his family may pleasantly while away their leisure hours and acquire knowledge of important facts and events, should not be surprised if his children exhibit that uncouthness which comes from ignorance of current thoughts and human achievements."

Mr. Wm. H. Stearns, of Sandusky, O., was seen yesterday in the corridors of the Seiber. In speaking of politics from a democratic standpoint he said: "The recent senatorial contest has been the cause of much bitterness in the republican ranks, which in my opinion will never be allayed. There is an apparent truce, but there are no signs of faithfulness on either side. The adherents of both Foraker and Sherman are as worthy to-day as they were prior to the senatorial contest. Of course this is fun for a united and aggressive democracy and the democrats of Ohio enter the campaign of 1892, very hopeful. You must remember that Harrison carried the state by a very small majority considering the large popular vote which Ohio casts. A change of a few votes in each precinct in favor of the democrats is all that is needed. But the legislature is now under full republican control, and the redistricting that is certain to take place is something awful to contemplate. You know when a republican body like the upper band it disregards law, constitution and everything else."

Judge Halstead may deny what follows, but if he does the Gossiper will at once go to work and get the proper testimony from living witnesses to substantiate it. It was in ante bellum times and the judge lived near the Davies and Caldwell county lines in this state. He was a justice of the peace or a magistrate of some kind. At any rate, he was authorized to perform the marriage ceremony. One day a young couple appeared before him, not being able to secure the services of a minister. They wanted to be married and wanted the job done as quickly as possible. This was the judge's first experience and he was as plucky then as he is to-day, and at once began the business as if he had been a professional.

"Stand up," he said, and they arose.

"Come forward to the bar of justice," he said, and they came.

"Guilty, or not guilty?" he asked as they stood before him holding hands.

"Guilty, your honor," responded the groom.

"Is this your first offense?"

"It is, your honor."

"Well, there is nothing to do but impose a life sentence on you both and assess the groom for damages."

"How much, your honor?" asked the groom reaching into his breeches pocket.

"Five dollars."

The groom handed it over.

"Case is dismissed," announced the judge, and the young couple marched out of the room radiant with happiness.

DEATH OF ELLA S. WOOD.

It was a sad death—that of Miss Ella S. Wood of California, Mo., which occurred near this city, some days since, and was at the time chronicled in the Bazoos. She had been a patient sufferer for months and the disease was aggravated by the lingering illness and death of an idolized mother only a few weeks previous. She was a young lady characterized by beauty, refinement, amiability and varied accomplishments. Just when life should have been brightest to her—on the threshold of womanhood, when lovers came and the changing scenes in the panorama of life were most delightful—the beckoning finger of the Angel of Death called her to the Beyond. Oh, the pity of it! And how many a silent tear has stolen down the cheek at the remembrance of a beautiful life so early closed to earthly scenes—so early parted from the companionship of loved ones. And yet why mourn? Does not a happy form wend its joyous way along the gold-paved streets of the Celestial city? Does not a tuneful voice make glad music in the heavenly choir? Is she not nestling as a child again on that loved mother's bosom? Mourn not—Ella is at peace.

"She has gone—she has gone to the regions of light—She was with us to-day—she is in Heaven to-night."

Though to part with her was a trial severe, Yet 'tis better that she should be Yonder than here."

THE ALBUMS.

A Contest in the Circuit Court Between Ward Brothers and F. H. Easley.

Sometime last year F. H. Easley, local stationer, contracted with Ward Brothers, Columbus, Ohio, for the publication of 6,000 souvenir albums, showing photographic views of Sedalia, streets, buildings both public and private.

The photographing was executed by an amateur in Sedalia and the lithographic work and printing done in Germany.

In the contract it was agreed that the imprint of "F. H. Easley, stationer, Sedalia, Mo." should be put upon the album.

The work was performed with a few defects, excepting perhaps Mr. Easley's imprint was left off and he refused to receive a part of the work because his imprint was omitted and from some other minor reasons and omissions.

Ward Brothers thereupon sued Mr. Easley for \$1,050, the contract price, because he refused to pay, owing to the fact that the contract on the part of Ward Brothers was not filled as agreed.

The case was on trial all day Thursday, Jan. 14, before a jury and Judge Field on the bench.

A. S. Hentig, one of the firm of Ward Bros., is here looking after the case and was on the witness stand several hours. He was questioned and cross questioned regarding the transaction from A to Z, and finally the court interposed and suggested that the witness, Hentig, had told all he knew and a halt on his being quizzed more should be called.

Among other things that Mr. Hentig testified to, was that he sold a part of the books to the following named parties; in number, as follows:

NAME	NO.	PRICE.
Mason's Trust Co.	100	\$3.00
Minter Bros.	100	3.00
Kaiser & Fischer	100	3.00
Kalk Bros.	50	1.75
McLaughlin Bros.	100	3.00
First National Bank	20	7.00
J. H. Pickering	100	25.00
Ed. Crawford	30	15.00
Total	500	\$297.50

The question of advertising and its value entered largely into this case. The leaving off "F. H. Easley, stationer, Sedalia, Mo." from the souvenir was, as he claimed, a valuable consideration, hence his refusal to have the goods because he did not receive that valuable consideration.

The jury and the judge each were furnished with copies of the albums Thursday and Friday were spent in studying pictures and embellishments of Sedalia.

The case was given to the jury at noon and at 4 p. m. they had returned no verdict.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following transfers were recorded yesterday by Recorder Pilkington:

Robert Ramsey and wife to W. H. Ramsey, 124 acres in section 34, township 46, range 21. Price \$600.

Shultz & Rockwell to Wilbur T. Morris, 10 acres off the west side of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 9, township 45, range 21, except 30 feet on the west side. Price, \$3,600.

Smith & Cotton to Ham W. Hampey, lot 7, block 2, Smith & Cotton's seventh addition. Price, \$250.

SEDALIA BRIEFS.

—This is leap year, girls. Assert your rights.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?" "I'm going to church, kind sir," she said. "My I go with you, O sweetest maid?" "I've hymns enough in my book," she said. —Brooklyn Eagle.

—What's the commencement of the Sedalia military band?

—Talk and work for Sedalia. You can't talk too much or work too hard.

—Mayor Beck made a liberal donation of clothing to the poor fund yesterday.

—Jim Gossage asserts that a kleptomaniac actually broke into the calaboose Friday night.

—The remnant of the Sedalia portion of the Salvation Army was on the parade last night.

—Comptroller Hedge and party will arrive on a special train this morning from the south.

—The president and general manager of the road will arrive on No. 3 from the north this morning.

—The many friends of Jno. W. Murphy are glad to see him out again after a very severe sickness.

—"It is astonishing," said Officer Murphy, "what a number of the poor cases in the city may be attributed to liaisons."

—Judge Halstead is afflicted with a singular case of in-omnia. He has not slept to amount to anything for weeks.

—Louis Anderson, colored, who has officiated at the O-age street barber shop so long, died yesterday morning at 10 o'clock.

—Frank Row, while drunk, was hit on the pistol pocket by a switch engine last Friday night and barely escaped fatal injury.

—Col. Simonds, superintendent of the government building, yesterday turned the keys over to Postmaster Demuth.

—There are no further developments in reference to the robbery of the till of Kelley's cigar store which occurred Thursday night.

—Judge Richard Field, of the circuit court, left for his home at Lexington yesterday evening, and will return to-morrow morning.

—Officer Mooney yesterday evening very promptly removed an obstruction to the passers on Ohio street. He is always prompt and vigilant.

—The Military band has secured the services of the celebrated Remuzzi grand concert company for March 2, for the purpose of raising funds to purchase new uniforms.

—Sanitary officer Murphy is much pleased with the splendid donation made to the poor of the city by the St. Louis Clothing Company, consisting of a large variety of useful clothing.

—Andrew Weller, 13 years of age, died last Friday at his home ten miles east of this city. The funeral will take place to-day, and the remains will be interred at the Lake Creek cemetery.

—The people of southern Sedalia have secured the services of Evangelist A. P. M. Gross and O. A. Wittmer, and will begin a series of temperance meetings this evening at the Christian chapel.

—Thos. Edwards with several aliases was arraigned before Justice Seiber yesterday morning on charge of stealing instruments from Dr. Henry Evans. He was fined \$5 and costs, and not being able to respond was sent to the county jail.

—Fire department No. 2 was called to the old Antes mill on Pacific street near the railroad at 10 o'clock last night. Fire was located in the shed between the elevator and shed. It was soon put out. The damage is insignificant.

—A large meeting will be held to-day at 2 p. m., at the Y. M. C. A. rooms and at 3 p. m. George W. Barnett will deliver an address looking as his subject, "Which path am I on?" Good music will be a feature of both meetings.

—The society of the "Woodmen of the world," but recently organized in Sedalia, is gaining a fair membership and promises to be among the foremost of the beneficiary societies in the city. At the meeting Friday night six were added to the membership.

—Hannibal is a popular place for hotel clerks. At least it would seem so when it is considered that five of these Chesterfields have been secured from that place by Seiber & Conrad. The two gentlemen now employed at this popular hostelry are brothers.

—The Commercial Club, backed by the citizens generally, are determined during the year to encourage all laudable enterprises and the establishment of desirable manufactures, but at the same time they want it distinctly understood that "no frauds need apply."

—The jury in the case of Ward Bros. of Columbus, O., vs. F. H. Easley, of this city, came into court

about noon yesterday, after being out all the night previous. The jury were not able to agree—ten to two in favor of Mr. Easley—and were dismissed.

—A fellow went to a police office yesterday morning and demanded entrance to the calaboose, saying he wanted to see a friend. He was drunk and very naturally requested several times to go about his business. He refused and was granted his original request.

—Judge Metaker said yesterday was a splendid day, so far as street car receipts were concerned, being about double the ordinary day's business. Anyhow, the electric car system is a great thing for Sedalia and ought to be patronized at all times and under all circumstances.

—Sanitary Officer Murphy reports that many poor families have been temporarily relieved during the past week, but there are still many urgent calls that should appeal to the heart of the charitable of the city. There have been more calls for wood, clothing and bread than anything else.

—The M., K. & T. are now putting up ice at Hannibal, Mo., for the various ice houses along the entire system, the ice being fully ten inches thick on the Mississippi river at that point, and it is thought they will be able to lay in a sufficient amount during the present cold snap to supply the entire system.

—Heinrich "my jeweler" with characteristic generosity has come to the aid of the charity hospital movement by offering a fine diamond ring to that lady receiving the second highest number of votes for being the most popular in the city. The decision will be rendered on the occasion of the council oyster supper Tuesday night.

TRIED TO SUICIDE.

A Prominent Stock Man Courts Death.

Information reached the city yesterday that Mr. Estes, a prominent stock man of Versailles, Morgan county, attempted suicide by the morphine route, but an overdose saved his life. It occurred Friday night at Cole Camp. He had been in that vicinity for several days, purchasing stock, and seemed to be despondent from some unknown cause. He went to a drug store, purchased a large quantity of morphine, repaired to his hotel, and later he was discovered, it was thought in the agonies of death. Dr. Keifer, a local physician, was summoned, applied a stomach pump and probably saved the patient's life, although later on there was a relapse. His wife was immediately telegraphed for, and joined him as soon as it was possible. At latest accounts he was doing well, and considered out of immediate danger. Beyond the rumor of disipation and losses no cause is assigned for the act.

ONCE A CHIEF CITY.

Columbia Now Belongs to Antebellum Days for a Fact.

The following is another of the numerous letters which the Bazoos is in receipt of concerning the State University. It is dated at Columbia and is as follows:

EDITOR BAZOO: It is of course well known to you that the main building of the State University has been burned—together with a large part of its contents. It may also be well known to you, especially if you have ever visited this city, that Columbia is no fit place for the State University. There was a day when Columbia was one of the chief cities of Missouri—a seat of wealth and refinement, culture and civilization but that day perished twenty-five years ago, with the rest of the antiquated ideas of the antebellum regime.

There may appear upon first glance to be insuperable difficulties in the way of removing the University from its present location but I think on investigation such difficulties will be proven imaginary.

Outside of the land, the University owns comparatively little property here—seven or eight very ordinary buildings and equipments, the latter of which could be utilized wherever the University might be located; and so far as the term is concerned, its market value as a producer of grain and other farm products, would not be materially depreciated if the University was moved to Egypt.

My object in writing to you was to inform you of the fact that the universal sentiment of those in this vicinity is not interested in Boone county property is in favor of removing the University to Sedalia. This sentiment was freely expressed in a meeting of faculty, students, and citizens, addressed by Gov. Francis.

Allow me to remain

Yours Respectfully,

ASA W. CURTIS.

SUNDAY BAZOOLETS.

Mammon is the devil's archangel. The devil is a Chesterfield in manners.

The philanthropist is necessarily a Christian.

Never talk temperance to a man intoxicated.

The present generation holds its head too high.

True pleasure is found in labor for the right cause.

The illiterate minister should be a foreign missionary.

True charity is confined to no religion nor nationality.

Even the devil ignores the slug-gard. "He's solid."

Religion and politics mix about like water and kerosene.

Count Tolstoi's "Tail" could be read with profit by many Americans.

The oldest and most experienced preacher is the simplest and easiest to understand.

Every minister should study the diction in which the sermon on the Mount is couched.

The misanthrope should study the character of Jean Valjean in Hugo's Les Miserables.

No less a person than Washington Irving once said that Americans apotheosize the dollar.

There are too many philosophers in this country; and we need blacksmiths and farmers so sorely.

"Come, let us reason together," is the most dignified invitation with which man was ever honored.

The devil gives gives a ball to his emissaries when the clergy begin to wrangle on Biblical questions.

The world is full of people like the young man who lacked just one thing necessary to inherit eternal life.

The pastor who preaches a sermon that merely entertains should surrender his place and occupy the pew.

There's a world of philosophy in this particular part of the Lord's prayer: Lead us not into temptation.

No one was ever sorry for having gone to church, no matter what degree of superiority existed between himself and the preacher.

Perplexed by faith yet pure in deeds, At last he beat his music out; There lives more faith in honest doubt, Believe me, than in half the creeds. —Tennyson.

An ungenerous Irishman, after mingling with Americans for a season, laughed heartily when he saw our standard coin inscription: "In God We Trust."

There is a principle in the old darkey's interpretation of the pledge, "G. P. C." that would not be amiss when quoted to many white preachers now actively engaged in the ministry.

"MORE FLY PAPER"—TO-MORROW NIGHT.

There will be "more fly paper" sticking to the old "hayseed" at the opera house to-morrow night on the occasion of the appearance of "A Pair of Kids," and now the old countryman visits the great city and unexpectedly finds himself running a metropolitan restaurant; the numerous amusing situations he gets into and out of with equal facility, will all be laughably and grotesquely set forth to the delighted audience. Mr. Kendall's comedy is of a kind that keeps an audience in a continuous uproar of laughter from the time he stumbles upon the stage until the curtain goes down on the last act. Nobody who enjoys fun and plenty of it should miss the opportunity of seeing what has been pronounced to be the funniest show of the season. The musical features are all new and rendered especially attractive by a company that comes highly commended.

HORTICULTURAL.

The following is the programme of the Pettis county Horticultural society, to convene at court house in this city January 23, at 1 o'clock: "Experience with Strawberries During the Past Year," Jos. Upton, Green Ridge.

"Insect's Injurious to The Apple," F. A. Sampson, Sedalia.

"Some Thoughts About Our Society During the Past Year," G. B. Lamm, S. Isia.

"Best Variety of Pears and the best Method of Raising Them," Geo. H. Shepard, Lamotte.

"Why Fruit Growers should be Encouraged in Pettis county," Van B. Wicker, Green Ridge.

Election of officers for the ensuing year and reports of the secretary and treasurer.

POLICE COURT.

Judge Milo Blair officiated at the police court this morning.

Three cases were on the docket;

two for intoxication, one for vagrancy.

For the first offense Frank O'Connell and Frank Row were fined \$5 each. The remaining culprit Sam Morisey, made a contribution of equal demerit.

CENTRAL BUSINESS COLLEGE

Celebrates Its Ninth Anniversary.

The ninth anniversary of Central Business college was celebrated last night.

The exercises were unique and highly enjoyable.

It was half past eight when President Robbins gracefully mounted the platform and announced that Rev. J. S. Myers, pastor of the Christian church, would entertain the audience with a speech. And he did entertain the audience, improvised though his remarks were. He spoke on failures and in a masterly way showed wherein they strengthened rather than weakened, aided rather than impeded the man bent on realizing an object in life. He cited numerous historic examples illustrative of this principle and concluded with the inspiring statement that contrary to being an indication of how the agent's life would consummate, failures rather fortified him to withstand future defeats and gave him a better insight into the Solonic philosophy: "Know thy self."

The next person who proved a source of delight to the audience was Miss Helen Gallie, who sang a solo. It is needless to say that she more than sustained her reputation as a superior vocalist.

Miss Gallie is peculiarly gifted with that volume of voice that enables her to reach with ease certain pitches wholly beyond the power of many excellent singers.

It was immediately after the crowded room had ceased to ring with vocal melody that Mr. J. H. Thomas favored the house with a humorous selection. He is a splendid impersonator and the fact that he was appreciated was attested by the repeated encores he received.

Hon. G. W. Barnett was then introduced amidst applause.

He too made a splendid speech, so superior indeed that the Bazoos man was inclined to think that it was a "cut and dried" affair, till informed differently by the gentleman himself. Incidentally he gave a brief, historical resume of the institution and paid deserved compliments and encomiums to its efficient president. "Nine years ago," said Mr. Barrett, "Central Business college was an infant, struggling for an existence. Now it is known throughout the state for the high standard of its work and is established on a basis that enables it to challenge comparison with any institution of its kind in the west."

Following this excellent address, Miss Gallie, after being earnestly solicited sang Sewanee River. She was enthusiastically applauded but refused to desert her chair again till President Robbins went to her in person and bought her to "sing just once more."

With reluctance she advanced to the piano. President Robbins in the meantime remarking aside to the audience "this one is for me."

Imagine the embarrassment to which he was subjected when the witty songstress swept the ivories o'er with dexterous digits and sang one stanza of "Swing Robins Swing &c."

Amidst vociferous and other expressions of enthusiasm, the president with cheeks suffused with blushes abruptly stated that, "here is a good place to adjourn." And it was so.

A DARING ROBBER.

He Enters a Cigar Store and Robs It Before the Keeper's Eyes.

H. K. Kelly's cigar store, located on the west side of the post office, was robbed last night. The robbery was committed about 10 o'clock.

No one was in the store at the time but Claude Nall, a lad 14 years old, who was sitting in the north section of the workroom when the daring thief entered with the remark "just sit where you are young fellow."

"Taking discretion in this instance at least the better part of valor, Claudius remained with the consistency that marked Cassianus, without further ceremony the robber advanced to the counter and reaching over it opened the money drawer. He secured about six dollars, which he pocketed and left, not so much as saying good evening to Claudius.

The police were shortly afterward notified of the outrage but up to the present their searches are in vain.

The fellow when he entered, displayed no weapons, though he kept his right hand in his overcoat pocket. His hat, too, was pulled down over his face.

While the man is in all probability, a stranger, one thing is evident, he was familiar with the way the till operated. He is described as being tall and sparely built, and had a light mustache. He wore a slouch hat and a light overcoat.